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Graduates, What Now?

The young people of our area who have almost completed their formal education in the year 1961 should not make the mistake of assuming that they know enough. They have only begun to learn.

What students receive in school, in terms of learning how to read, study and think for themselves, is more important than the subject that passed into their brains. If in the process of acquiring a diploma, one has glimpsed the tremendous spread of human information and realized that what has been studied is the merest fraction of what is thus known then the way is open for the individual to proceed intellectually.

One of the best aids to wisdom is the reading of the printed word. It brings to mankind the thoughts and ideals of the past, gives facts and trends, points the way to prophecy and understanding and permits those who live to profit by the experience of those who have passed into the great beyond.

Millions of American students, about ready to graduate, are entering a world which is somewhat confusing, and we believe more confusing than that which has faced graduates in many of the years of our recent past.

It seems necessary, in these times, for the graduates of 1961 to bear in mind the simple truth and basic principles which have made our country great. The story of America's rise to power and riches is one of a willingness to work a love of freedom and independence and a faith in God and religious freedom.

Most of us have read "the truth shall make you free. It is even so, but this freedom is not to be found in the elimination of material factors that enslave human beings. It is to come from spiritual triumph that belongs only to those who understand the world, the eternal principles, and live in accordance with the laws discovered and accepted by the individual.

We would, of course, caution the young people that they cannot belive, without intelligent inquiry, everything first they read. Printing has been a great aid to the advancement of knowledge, but it is also a means by which error can be perpetuated and maintained. The honest seeker for truth will be known by the questions raised, the sincere study of existing facts and the intelligent deductions drawn from established things.

Trend Toward Conformity

One of the trends noted in modern-day civilization is the trend toward conformity, which is thought to be caused by the better dissemination of news and pictures to every corner of the country. The most outstanding example of this trend, perhaps, is the example of cigarette-smoking.

Not so very many years ago, this custom was certainly not accepted by many, and the question of women smoking was widely frowned upon. Through the moving picture industry, magazines, newspaper advertising, television and every other means, the smoking habit was sold to the majority.

And though drinking has been a custom among many in the civilized world for hundreds of years, there is no doubt that the cocktail habit, and other drinking habits, have been popularized greatly by movie pictures, in which the hero or heroine often "downs a few" in a tight situation, and by other news and advertising media.

Now that television has entered every section of the country, the trend toward mass acceptance of the highly publicized practices, may be expected to increase its pace.

If one thing is clear in the entire problem, it is the fact that parents must increase their efforts to set a sensible example for their children. In addition, they must encourage their children to think for themselves and resist some of the social pressures and propaganda of the day.

Mysteries Of The Sea

There is always something new to be learned about the sea, and those who are not fascinated by the mysteries of the deep, and the strange unknown of the oceans which cover most of the earth's surface are relatively unthinking.

Just a few days ago, one of the strange events which sometimes transpire at sea snuffed out the lives of several students on a floating classroom, so to speak, which was on its way from Mexico to Nassau. The accident was caused, according to one account, when the ship—the 110-foot Albatross— became suddenly taking water. The skipper says this was caused by a sudden squall.

One of the crewmen stated that the squall was the "uncommon "white squall," which old salts know to be one of the mysterious and terrifying surprises of nature in the Caribbean.

This is a squall which strikes without warning. It occurs, often, when fronts are passing over the sea, and it is not accompanied by a large mass of clouds or any other noticeable development in the sky which would telegraph its arrival.

In the accident in the Caribbean recently, the white squall sank the Albatross in "less than a minute," according to the captain's own statement.

Some of us are inclined to take nature, and its powers and mysteries, lightly, in this day of advanced science. But a study of weather, and the power of nature, will impress anyone who cares to go into it.

Hodges pledges speed on aid to distressed areas.

G. E. forms company for satellite communications.

Broad national plan urged in educational TV.

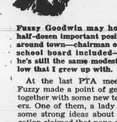
Thailand Railways get World Bank loan.

Witness links Eichmann to Czech Jews camp.

When two people think exactly alike, one is not thinking.

Play safe — drive carefully.

From where I sit ... by Joe Marsh



Teacher Learns a Lesson

Fuzzy Goodwin may hold a half-dozen important positions around town—chairman of the school board included—but he's still the same modest fellow that I grew up with.

At the last PTA meeting, Fuzzy made a point of getting together with some new teachers. One of them, a lady with some strong ideas about education claimed that none of the others had gone to the right college—hers.

"Well, Miss, that isn't so bad," Fuzzy told her. "One of our board members didn't even go to high school, let alone college." "No! Who?" she said. "Me," he said.

From where I sit, some of us want people to be carbon copies of ourselves. But that just isn't the American way. Our heritage of freedom implies the right to be *different*, even in little things—like your choice of tea or coffee and my preference of a glass of beer. I say "be yourself" and no "studying up" to be like each other.

Joe Marsh

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296 Had Attendance Record for Past Month

A total of 296 pupils attended Appomattox Elementary School for each school day in April. They were as follows:

Seventh grade, Mrs. Jean A. Hesson: Charles Blackwell, Norman Booth, Charles Doss, Danny Hermacail, John Jenkins, Michael Johnson, Bill Mann, Earl Martin, Irie Mays, Scottie Morris, Donald Pugh, Harry Reed, , Paul Reed, Edwin Stanley, Nancy Cole, Lynda Hall Nancy Hughes, Susan Jennings, Linda Rogers.

Seventh grade, Mrs. Kathleen D. Carson: Lawrence Byers, Freddy Godsey, Billy Guthrie, Calvin Harris, Carol Mann, Warren Mays, Billy Moore, Dolly O'Brien, Charles Wallace, Danny Williams, Carolyn Carter, Nancy Cheatham, Kathy Flynn, Helen Garrett, Brenda Holt, Marie Maddox, Barbara Reid, Gale Robertson, Helen Thompson, Anne Norris.

Sixth grade, Mrs. OlaS.Furbush: Alvin Franklin, Larry Guill, Raymond Hall, Bob Hoit, John Lewis, Stephen Marshall, Donald Martin, Robert Trent, David Torrence, Richard Woodson, James McLane, Rose Evans, Alice Jean Ferguson, Gloria Jenkins, Patricia McFadden, Martha Mays, Carolyne Maxwell, Yvonne Nash.

Sixth grade, Mrs. Ethel A. Evans —Ken Coleman, Randy Ferguson, David Hamilton, Pat Mayberry, Dayton Pankey, James Shirey, James Smith, Evan Thompson, Mitchell Terrence, Joel Watson, George Williams, Nancy Baldwin, Joyce Carter, Fay Conner, Gail Conner, Nadine Grubaw, Juaia Ann Gull, Betty Maddox, Mary Lou Martin, Peggy Morris, Janet Moses, Carolyn Nash, Jane Richardson, Doris Thomas, Delores Wooten.

Fifth grade, Mrs. Harriette Cunningham: Roy Arrington, Rex Gallier, Clyde Harvey, Johnny Jarrell, Larry Johnson, Danny Marcus, Monta Mays, Larry Smith, Joe Watson, Tommy Wilhoit, Robert Winston, Valeria Brannon, Pamela Ferguson, Joyce Goin, Theresa Green, Linda Grinels, Brenda Pugh, Helen Shouse, Louise Wheeler, Rebecca Wright, Donald Williams.

Fifth grade, Mrs. Isabelle Ligon: Jimmy Beamer, Richard Bryant, Michael George, John Maddox, Cecil Powell, Michael Seay, Roger Slagle, Shirley Cheatham, Martha Cordell, Dianne Doss, Suzanne Guill, Sarah Lane Jane McAden, Dianne Smith, Mary Thomas, Pat Tibbs.

Fifth grade, Mrs. Virginia Cyrus: Bernard Bryant, Russell Evans, Johnie Johnson, Larry Martin, William Mayberry, Calvin O'Brien, Michael Wallace, Harry Williams, Eugenie Purch.

Fourth grade, Mrs. Thelma M. Martin: Ronald Ayers, Tommy Bass, Phillip Carter, Benny Cole, Danny Hamilton, James Mann, Barry Marcus, Wayne Mayberry, Randy Moore, Charlie Smelcer, David Williams, Robert Williams Yvonne Baten, Linda Bryant, Jean Carson, Kathy Coleman, Beverly Davidson, Amy Evans, Lou Moore, Joyce Peck, Betty Reid, Debra Scott, Priscilla Wooldridge.

Fourth grade, Mrs. Ela L. Gordon: George Ray Baldwin, Monroe Byers, Ronald Goin, Dudley Hill, Donald Jones, Joseph Marshall, Larry Mays, Carlton Phillips, Johnny Redding, James Woodridge, Peggy Burley, Debra Chenault, Jean Holt, Faye Honeycutt, Patricia Maxwell, Michelle Stanley, Elizabeth Trent Barbara Williamson.

Third grade, Mrs. Mildred T. Burkey: Jesse Arthurs, Neal Cabiness, Don Conner, Larry Franklin, Gary Fleshman, Wayne Moore, Twyman Nash, Richard Poe, Tommy Terry, Kenneth Hawkins, Patricia Bragg, Beth Craven, Elizabeth Johnson, Nancy Mann, Connie Phelps, Bonnie Phelps, Vicki Rogers, Evelyn Powell, Beverly Winston.

Third grade, Miss Della Inge: Gerald Arrington, Hal Chambers, Curtis Eagle, Thomas Franklin, John Guthrie, Robert Smith, Everett Hendricks, Essie Almond, Shirley Baars, Georgia Brannon, Ginger Hamilton, Sharon Johnson, Laura Mann, Rose Motley, Cynthia Nash, Clair O'Brien, Amy Scott.

Second grade, Miss Myrtle Smith —Danny Ray Bryant, Allen Bryant, Robert L. Ferguson, Jack Giles, J. W. Lewis, Stephen Marshall, Charles Phillips, Stephen Wilson, Carol Besmer, Patricia Harden, Linda Harvey, Carolyn Hudson, Helen Rogers, Kathryn Sharp, Aileen Torrence, Judy Perdieu.

Second grade, Mrs. Lou C. Rogers: John Cole, Clayton Cyrus, Roger Dale Hughes, Ryland Mann, David McCraw, Ronald Nash, David Allen Page, Jerry Smelcer, Raymond Tweedy, George Norris, Amanda Austin, Deborah Caldwell, Karen Cotner, Carolyn Franklin, Cornelia Ann Guill, Patricia Mays, Margie Morris, Kathy Scott, Brenda Trent, Joyce Ann Lockhart.

First and second grades, Mrs. Grace Taylor: Steve Almond, Ray Conner, Jimmy Martin, Mary Ayers, Carol Burnette, Iris Cordell, Cathy Godsey, Freda Jones, David Hamilton, Gary Thomas, John Williams, Mary Nell Doss, Edward Dixon.

First grade, Mrs. Sallie Martin: Jimmy Chandler, Lee Conner, Roger Eagle, Emmitt Knight, Steve Lawson, Ricky Martin, Lester Gene Mayberry, H. T. Nash, Warren Seay, Tony Trent, Gary Woolridge, Curtis Snow, Nelwyn Coleman, Janice Fay Doss, Jane Ferguson, Teresa Franklin, Cathy Ann Gowin, Marty LeGrand, Carrie Lynn Moore, Kathy Sears, Sandra Smith, Suzanne Hendricks.

First grade, Mrs. Lucie B. Staples: Elmer Tipton Beamer, Daniel Gilbert Gallier, Kenneth Allen Henderson, Jack David Layne, James Douglas Mann, Warren Paul Mayberry, Wayne Carter Simpson, Michael Stanley Weakley, Karen Faye Cabaniss, Pemela Jayne Carter, Anita Dianne Ferguson, Sue Ellen Giles, Linda Diane Henkiel, Dorothy Carol Litchford, Eleanor Lee Painter, Hilda Kay Paulette, Connie-Howard Scott, Susan Lynn Williamson, Linda Dianne Roach, Mary Frances Goin.

LUCKY CLOVER 4-H CLUB

The members of the Lucky Clover 4-H Club had a hayride to Ann and Fay Dickerson's home to have their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 9. After the meeting was called to order, the Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge were said. Ann Dickerson explained how to make her skit. Mr. Dan Moody talked about the 4-H Camp and the Electric Workshop. There was a social hour, during which games were played. There were refreshments.

Reporter: Frances Reeve.

COMMENTS ON SPORTS

By Pete Fritchie

BASEBALL

WASHINGTON, D. C. - The New York Yankees are still making smart trades and that has been for the past fifteen years or more one of the reason they are usually up there in the standings at end of the season.

The latest was at the expense of the Los Angles Angels. The Yankees got two players who will help the club in Bob Cerv and Tex Clevenger The Angels got numbers and some might help or none might help.

These numbers were Ryne Duren and Johnny James, pitchers, outfielder LeRoy Thomas and an unnamed outfielder. That is a question - mark this year, and after the trade the Yankee front office admitted as much. Not much is known about James and Thomas, And not even the identity of the fourth player is known.

Cerv is an established player, who is a good man to have on the bench. And Tex Clevenger was prized even more by the Yankees than was Cerv. The deal might turn out all right for the Angles but it looks like another time the New York club stole two respected performers for very little.

On the other hand Cerv and Clevenger are not good enough to give the Yankees the pennant, Clevenger, while good, will not be another Duren- in Durens best years, And Cerv is mostly insurance

The Angels who have looked pretty good at times , since the opening of the season, might got some help from the acquired players over the long run especially if James turns into a good strting pitcher and the outfielder to be acquired is playable.

But in this case, again the Yankees got something definite—established players for something indefinite — future hopes. Its an old custom with the American League pennant winners of 1960. They have been pulling horse trades like this with Kansas City for many years.

All of which makes people wonder whether it will be Los Angles, now, to take over Kansas City's former role as trading cousin of the Yankees. The new regime at Kansas City doesn't seem inclined to supply the Yank's with their needs of the moment any longer so perhaps it will have to be L. A.

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Luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Austin Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harvey and girls, Mr. and Mrs. George Austin and son, Allen, and Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Canada and family of Phenix,

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Paulette and family, of Phenix, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Garrett Sunday.

Mrs. Annie Paulette spent a few days last week with Mrs. Floyd Puckett, Spout Springs.

INCREASED ACTIVITY BY GAME WARDENS

An increase in state game warden efficiency is indicated by a report just released by the Virginia Game Commission which compares March 1961 warden-activity figures with similar figures for March 1960

A total of 549 convictions which violators $10,646.20 in fines and cost were won by Virginias 130-man state game warden force in March, 1961, exceeding the March 1960 totals of 393 convictions (259) of them dog law cases and $6,861. 62 in costs and in fines by 139 state wardens.

Commission officials and sportsmen anticipated such an increase in warden efficiency when they worked successfully to have a new state law passed in 1958 which permits county boards of supervisors to retain dog license sales receipts and hire their own dog wardens, thereby releasing the state game wardens from this duty which formerly had occupied, on the average 50 percent of their time. To date 80 of the States 98 counties have taken advantage of this law and now enforce their own dog ordinances.

Warden Fred W. Hottle of Edinburg won the most game and fish law convictions during March 1961 with 18, while violators arrested by Warden L. E. Skyne of Buchanan were assessed the highest fines and costs, totalling $879.00. The statewide conviction total included 41 for bant law violations.

PRE-SCHOOL DAY

A successful pre-school day was held at Appomattox Elementary School Wednesday, May 10, when 63 children attended, who will be first-graders when school opens in September. Approximately 20 parents came with their children to visit the school.

The children assembled in the rooms to which they had been assigned and were given headbands to wear during the day, which had their names on them. A devotional program was held in each room, followed by a film in the auditorium. A tour of the school included such places as the cafeteria, clinic room, office, and library. Lunch was served to the group, after which they exchanged teachers, having an opportunity to meet both of the first grade teachers, Mrs. Lucie Staples and Mrs. Sallie Martin.

The current first grade pupils stayed at home on Wednesday, in order that the teachers might devote their entire attention to the visitors.

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Highway Program

The largest concentration of highway construction projects in the state-- the 21-mile, Virginia section of the Capital Beltway (Interstate 495) --will be the feature attraction of a special Highway Department news tour to be conducted on May 18.

The tour, held for newspaper, television, and radio newsmen, precedes Highway Week (May21-27), proclaimed by President Kennedy nationally and by Governor Almond in Virginia. Originating from Culpeper, it will be one of several such tours to be held throughout the eight highway districts.

Host for the tour will be Culpeper District Engineer C. W. Kestner, who will be assisted by Department engineers and representatives of the road building industry. After a brief orientation quarters on Route 15, the news party will board a bus for the trip which will include inspection of primary and secondary routes in addition to the Beltway.

A lucheon stop will be made at the Charterhouse on the Shirley Highway, where Ellis Armstrong, Commissioner of Public Roads in the Eisenhower administration, will be the guest speaker.

The piece de resistance of the day will be the huge Beltway project itself. The Virginia section, estimated to cost $45 million, will have 14 interchanges (some of them the largest in the nations 41,000-mile interstate highway system), two or three railroad separations, and 10 grade separations. Altogether, there will be approximately 49 separate, major structures not including box culverts or other minor drainage structures.

Though the Beltway in Virginia is not expected to be completed until late 1962, the newsmen will travel completed sections and be able to get a good idea of the gigantic undertaking. The beltway, which will provide a bypass of the District of Columbia for north and southbound traffic, has been a dream of local planners in Virginia for many years, and the Highway Department has had an active role in its planning since 1954.

Highways and construction projects included in the Culpeper tour will comprise, said District Engineer Kestner, a typical cross section of our highay system. In April, construction work amounting to $62,509,987 was under contract, with interstate construction totaling $56,703,601.

It was his hope Kestner said, that the tour would provide the necessary background information by which the people of Virginia can have a better understanding of our highway needs, problems, and services.

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Sentennial Event

Richmond Va. May 17

In observance of the Civil War Centennial, the Virginia Museum Theatre will be transformed into a playhouse of the 1860's for its May 24 production of one of the great hits of the pre-Civil War era. "The Six Degrees of Crime."

In the interest of historical accuracy, Museum Theatre Producer Director Robert S. Telford is resisting the temptation to parody. The 19th century "melo drama" will be staged in a straightforward style.

Dial 352-2811 with Personals.

Tomb of prince of Tutankhamens era is found:

Mrs. Brigtwell's 4-H Club

Mrs. Brightwell's 4-H Club met Thursday, May 11. The secretary read the minutes of the last meeting. Mr. Tarpley, from the Entomology Dept. at V. P. I., judged the collection of insects. Ronnie Tibbs, Gale Layne, Anne Farrar, and David Baldwin got blue ribbons for first prize. Everyone got some kind of ribbon. Mr. Jim Smith taught us some songs. This was the last meeting of this school year.

Reporter: Johnny Goin.

4-H CLUB NEWS

Mrs. Gordon's 4th grade held its 4-H Club meeting on May 11. The song leaders led some songs. Then a judging team from VPI judged the insect collections and Janice Jamerson, Joe Magginson and Bill Trent received blue ribbons.

—Reporter: Betty Trent.

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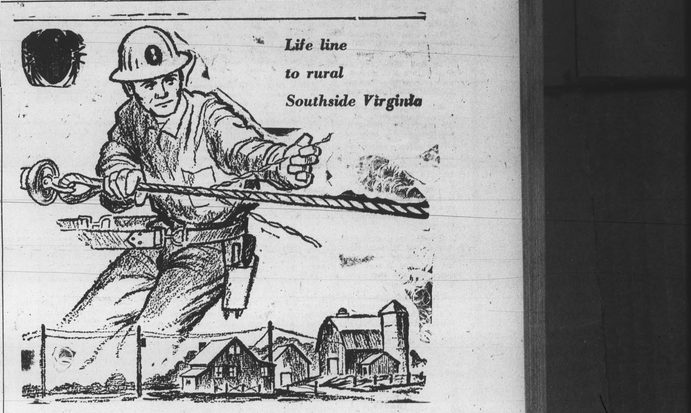

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